In all of this, Regina has demonstrated magnanimity, energy, and enthusiasm, which has helped all of us immensely.

We thank Regina for her selfless service to the Committee and our country, and wish her the very best as she returns to the ATF at the end of her detail.

All of her colleagues here will miss her dearly and continue to value her friendship into the future.

FORT JACKSON—REMEMBERING LIVES LOST

## HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, October 12, 2017

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, America was deeply saddened by Friday's tragic accident at Fort Jackson Army Base that claimed the lives of two brave soldiers and injured six others. Fort Jackson is a crown jewel of the Midlands of South Carolina. Established in 1917, Fort Jackson is the Army's largest training center, where my three sons and I have trained. Maj. Gen. Pete Johnson is commanding with compassion and professionalism.

We are grateful for the sacrifices of every soldier whose service brings them to Fort Jackson, and we consider each of them part of the Midlands family. Today, I would like to honor the memory of those soldiers: Pvt. Ethan Shrader, from Prospect, TN, and Pvt. Timothy Ashcraft, from Cincinnati, OH. They will never be forgotten.

The following soldiers are still recovering from injuries:

Pvt. Emmett Foreman, from Daleville, AL.

Pvt. Hannah New, from Cartersville, GA.

Pvt. Benjamin Key, from Livingston, TN.

Pvt. Alan Kryszak, from Clarksville, TN.

Pvt. Cardre Jackson Jr., from Laurel, MD.

Pvt. James Foster, from Macon, GA.

As the father of four sons who have served with the military, I would ask that everyone pray for those families who are grieving and for the speedy recovery of those who were injured. I know the opportunities for recruits to have fulfilling and meaningful lives through military service protecting American families.

In conclusion, God Bless our Troops, and we will never forget September 11th in the Global War on Terrorism.

UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY AND KCK

## HON. KEVIN YODER

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday,  $October\ 12$ , 2017

Mr. YODER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the formation of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas, and recognize the community and people who helped make the consolidation possible.

In 1997, the governments of Kansas City, Kansas and Wyandotte County opted to consolidate into one entity in the effort to help the city and county become a prosperous community in Kansas. That vision and foresight led to 20 years of growth and prosperity in the area.

I've witnessed firsthand some great successes of Wyandotte County in the last 20 years—rebuilding neighborhoods, diversifying the local economy and expanding the tax base. The consolidation has led to a better quality of life for residents, and a booming tourism industry for the state. The Kansas Speedway really led the way out west and Sporting KG's Children's Mercy Park stands out as one of the best, state of the art soccer stadiums across the country and the world.

Mr. Speaker, the Unified Government should be proud of their successes on this 20th anniversary. I'm honored to represent this county in Congress and to be a part of their enriched community. Thank you to the local leaders and residents who came together to make this vision a reality.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF DANIEL RUIZ

## HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 12, 2017

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Special Agent Daniel "Danny" Ruiz for his outstanding work as Resident Agent in Charge (RAC) at the Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), a directorate within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency (ICE). Special Agent Ruiz serves as RAC in the Fresno, California office.

Special Agent Ruiz began serving as the Resident Agent in Charge at HSI Fresno on November 1, 2015 and was responsible for fulfilling the mission of HSI in Tulare, Merced, Madera, Mariposa, Fresno and Kings Counties.

In his capacity as the Resident Agent in Charge at Fresno HSI, Danny is always available to discuss and work together on issues of concern with me and my staff.

Danny has been a U.S. Government employee since 1994. Before his Fresno HSI assignment, Danny served in multiple capacities and positions in Newark, New Jersey; San Juan, Puerto Rico; Jacksonville, Florida; Dallas, Texas, and two separate tours in Washington, D.C.

Danny holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Saint Peter's University, Jersey City, New Jersey with a Major in Political Science and Minor in Criminal Justice.

It is with great pleasure that I applaud and congratulate Daniel Ruiz for his many years of tireless work on behalf of the United States Government and to our local community. His ongoing dedication to public service is extremely commendable.

I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing the commitment, dedication and success of Daniel "Danny" Ruiz, and wish him well as he embarks on new endeavors in his role with HSI Florida.

INTRODUCTION OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION EMPLOYMENT AND TRANSPARENCY ACT

## HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, October 12, 2017

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Higher Education Employment and Transparency Act. This important legislation would help ensure that students are adequately informed of their choices as they navigate the process of applying to college.

While a college degree is as valuable as ever, the choices facing students as they attempt to choose the right school remain daunting. While most students cite employment as a prime motivator for college attendance, they nevertheless are often inadequately informed about the employment outcomes at various institutions of higher education and for various fields.

Navigating the college application process is hard enough. While in some cases data on employment and earnings information does exist, in too many cases it is unclear or not easily accessible to prospective students. Making this information more transparent—and pointing prospective students in the right direction—would go a long way in ensuring that students are making the best choices tailored to their individual needs.

The Higher Education Employment and Transparency Act seeks to tackle these challenges. This bill represents one piece ofthe puzzle to ensure data on higher education outcomes is presented in a manner that is clear, transparent, standardized, and above all easily accessible to prospective students. Without requiring the collection of new data, the bill would give students better access to higher-quality information about the schools they are considering.

The legislation would make a number of key changes:

First, it would expand on current requirements for Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) to disseminate certain information to prospective and enrolled students, through appropriate publications, mailings, and electronic media. The Higher Education Employment and Transparency Act would update this requirement to include disaggregated earnings and employment information, and require the use of data from more reliable sources.

Second, it would expand and improve the College Navigator, which is already a useful tool presenting a variety ofinformation about IHEs. The Higher Education Employment and Transparency Act would require additional information to be included on this site, in addition to what is currently required: a link to a page with that same, higher-quality information that IHEs are newly required to disclose; a link to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook website, which includes regional data on starting salaries in all major occupations: and, a link to a website that provides information about former students' employment and earnings information, based on high-quality federal or state data.

Last, under this legislation, IREs would also be required to provide prominent links on their own websites to each of these new pieces of information.